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The Foreign Agricultural Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture today reported the following developments in U.S. agriculture and trade:

Agricultural exports during the first eight months of fiscal year 1985 (October 1984-May 1985) totaled \$23.7 billion, down \$3.6 billion and 13 percent from the \$27.3 billion exported during the same period in fiscal 1984. The largest declines were in the grains and feed and oilseeds and products sectors. Less pronounced declines occurred within the cotton, poultry, livestock, horticultural and sugar and tropical products sectors.

Monthly agricultural export trends for May continued patterns in evidence during the first seven months of fiscal 1985. Commodities experiencing the largest declines during October-May were soybean meal, soybeans, soybean oil, wheat, wheat flour, rice, tallow and cotton. Both unit value and volume shipments accounted for these declines. Soybean shipments in the tables are overstated by approximately 600,000 metric tons due to duplicate counting of shipments to Mexico. While corn exports were up slightly in volume, their value fell 11 percent due to lower prices. In contrast to these declines, increases were noted for grain sorghum, seeds, pulses, cottonseed oil, tree nuts and beef.

Several factors continue to impede U.S. agricultural exports. Among the more noticeable are weak foreign demand, the strength in the exchange rate of the dollar, increased competition coupled with generally abundant carryover stocks for several major commodities and good crop prospects for most products in 1985/86.

Export volume through May of the current fiscal year totaled 96.3 million tons, off more than 1 percent from the 100.7 million tons exported during the first eight months of the previous fiscal year. Volume decreases were most pronounced for wheat and wheat flour, rice, barley, soybean meal, and fresh, canned and dried fruit and fruit juices.

U.S. agricultural imports during October-May 1985 reached \$13.5 billion, up 6 percent from the \$12.7 billion imported during the first eight months of fiscal 1984. Most of the increase is explained by stepped-up imports of cocoa and products, fresh fruit and fruit juices, beef, pork and veal. The overall net trade surplus in agricultural trade during October-May 1985 amounted to \$10.2 billion, compared with a net surplus of \$14.6 billion during the same period a year earlier.

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U.S. Agricultural Trade
(Billion Dollars)

| | -----FISCAL YEAR----- | | | -----OCT-MAY----- | | |
|------------------|-----------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| | 1984 Actual | 1985 Forecast | Percent Change | 1984 Actual | 1985 Actual | Percent Change |
| Exports | 38.0 | 33.5 | -12 | 27.3 | 23.7 | -13 |
| Imports | 18.9 | 19.5 | +3 | 12.7 | 13.5 | +6 |
| Trade Balance | 19.1 | 14.0 | -27 | 14.6 | 10.2 | -30 |

NOTE: Due to import data adjustment, no import tables are available this month.

U.S. AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS TO ALL DESTINATIONS
OCTOBER 1983 - MAY 1985

| COMMODITIES | UNIT | CUMULATIVE TO DATE | | | | CURRENT MONTH (MAY) | | | |
|--------------------------------|------|--------------------|-------------|-----|-------------|-----------------------|-------|----------|----------|
| | | QUANTITY | VALUE | % | % | QUANTITY | VALUE | % | % |
| | | 10/83-05/84 | 10/84-05/85 | DIF | 10/83-05/84 | 10/84-05/85 | DIF | 1984 | 1985 |
| | | | | DIF | | | DIF | | DIF |
| GRAINS AND FEEDS | | | | | | | | | |
| WHEAT & WHEAT FLOUR.. | MT | 25424,324 | 20717,679 | -18 | 4,100,888 | 3,205,300 | -22 | 3232,328 | 1620,079 |
| WHEAT..... | MT | 24620,726 | 20160,389 | -18 | 3,933,184 | 3,080,658 | -22 | 3070,258 | 1540,076 |
| WHEAT FLOUR..... | MT | 803,598 | 557,290 | -31 | 167,704 | 124,642 | -26 | 162,070 | 80,003 |
| RICE..... | MT | 1457,979 | 1262,336 | -13 | 585,858 | 442,537 | -24 | 209,949 | 165,355 |
| COARSE GRAINS..... | MT | 40506,394 | 43538,633 | +7 | 5,996,398 | 5,456,784 | -9 | 4587,968 | 3989,474 |
| CORN..... | MT | 34776,255 | 36834,450 | +6 | 5,208,161 | 4,655,650 | -11 | 4132,235 | 3461,129 |
| GRAIN SORGHUM..... | MT | 4280,000 | 5749,077 | +34 | 586,360 | 677,389 | +16 | 373,790 | 464,108 |
| BARLEY..... | MT | 1435,565 | 944,850 | -34 | 199,707 | 122,480 | -39 | 81,337 | 63,959 |
| OATS..... | MT | 10,535 | 4,931 | -55 | 1,790 | 675 | -62 | 357 | 202 |
| RYE..... | MT | 3,635 | 5,325 | +46 | 826,745 | 664,670 | -20 | 494,090 | 497,484 |
| FEEDS & FODDERS 1/..... | MT | 4738,977 | 4342,544 | -8 | 134,598 | 141,901 | +5 | 34,352 | 28,196 |
| PULSES..... | MT | 290,342 | 3005,565 | +4 | 95,203 | 98,417 | +3 | 19,463 | 18,538 |
| BEANS, DRIED..... | MT | 178,100 | 192,515 | +8 | 27,471 | 26,473 | -4 | 11,815 | 3,641 |
| PEAS, DRIED..... | MT | 86,291 | 83,034 | -4 | 11,924 | 17,011 | +43 | 3,074 | 6,017 |
| LENTILS, ETC., DRI..... | MT | 25,951 | 25,016 | -4 | 218,714 | 256,897 | +17 | | |
| OTHER..... | XXX | | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL..... | XXX | | | | 11,863,201 | 10,168,088 | -14 | 1424,781 | 941,815 |
| OILSEEDS & PRODUCTS | | | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL OILSEEDS..... | MT | 16834,492 | 15865,418 | -6 | 5,185,645 | 3,922,395 | -24 | 1788,976 | 1015,079 |
| SOYBEANS..... | MT | 15711,650 | 14733,504 | -6 | 4,687,760 | 3,483,970 | -26 | 1546,748 | 901,055 |
| SUNFLOWER SEED..... | MT | 861,450 | 808,829 | -6 | 326,282 | 245,557 | -25 | 222,581 | 82,808 |
| PEANUTS..... | MT | 191,943 | 226,922 | +18 | 148,013 | 168,222 | +14 | 15,889 | 24,102 |
| OTHER OILSEEDS..... | MT | 69,449 | 96,163 | +38 | 23,590 | 24,646 | +4 | 3,758 | 7,114 |
| SOYBEAN MEAL..... | MT | 3972,941 | 3128,779 | -21 | 982,576 | 602,075 | -39 | 285,675 | 300,587 |
| OTHER MEAL..... | MT | 163,771 | 110,654 | -32 | 29,606 | 14,881 | -50 | 17,042 | 16,001 |
| TOTAL VEG. OILS..... | MT | 1034,579 | 933,167 | -10 | 757,399 | 693,411 | -8 | 140,896 | 53,144 |
| SOYBEAN OIL..... | MT | 595,074 | 532,427 | -11 | 431,699 | 383,374 | -11 | 87,281 | 23,782 |
| SUNFLOWER OIL..... | MT | 172,265 | 102,029 | -41 | 114,987 | 68,911 | -40 | 16,862 | 2,530 |
| COTTONSEED OIL..... | MT | 108,051 | 156,471 | +45 | 72,385 | 110,066 | +52 | 21,082 | 10,375 |
| OTHER VEG. OILS..... | MT | 159,189 | 142,240 | -11 | 138,328 | 131,060 | -5 | 15,671 | 16,457 |
| OTHER..... | XXX | | | | 87,115 | 69,763 | -20 | | |
| TOTAL..... | XXX | | | | 7,042,341 | 5,302,524 | -25 | 767,827 | 356,193 |
| SEEDS | | | | | | | | | |
| | MT | 165,266 | 174,344 | +5 | 243,125 | 263,008 | +8 | 18,791 | 20,737 |
| COTTON & LINTERS | | | | | | | | | |
| RAW COTTON 2/..... | STB | 5207,151 | 4813,492 | -8 | 1,804,908 | 1,614,496 | -11 | 644,080 | 453,382 |
| LINTERS 2/..... | STB | 95,351 | 142,382 | +49 | 6,823 | 17,767 | +160 | 8,774 | 18,635 |
| SILK..... | STB | 1,592 | 1,401 | -12 | 427 | 392 | -8 | 105 | 1,108 |
| TOTAL..... | STB | 5304,095 | 4957,275 | -7 | 1,812,159 | 1,632,655 | -10 | 652,959 | 473,125 |

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| | | QUANTITY | | VALUE | | QUANTITY | | VALUE | |
| | | 10/83-05/84 | 10/84-05/85 | % DIF | 10/83-05/84 | 10/84-05/85 | % DIF | 10/83-05/84 | 10/84-05/85 |
| | | 10/83-05/84 | 10/84-05/85 | % DIF | 10/83-05/84 | 10/84-05/85 | % DIF | 10/83-05/84 | 10/84-05/85 |
| TOBACCO UNVFG. | | | | | | | | | |
| BURLEY..... | MT | 28,725 | 38,017 | +32 | 215,301 | 277,252 | +29 | 23,895 | 11,302 |
| FLUE-CURED..... | MT | 111,843 | 128,176 | +15 | 791,680 | 868,014 | +10 | 42,856 | 29,071 |
| FIRE-SUN CURED..... | MT | 6,535 | 4,655 | -29 | 30,205 | 23,938 | -21 | 545 | 1,288 |
| MARYLAND..... | MT | 990 | 1,171 | +18 | 6,442 | 8,027 | +25 | 1,050 | 636 |
| CIGAR..... | MT | 748 | 892 | +19 | 17,740 | 19,949 | +12 | 3,515 | 3,543 |
| OTHER LEAF..... | MT | 5,090 | 2,711 | -47 | 42,446 | 21,020 | -50 | 4,368 | 1,487 |
| STEMS..... | MT | 24,128 | 27,528 | +14 | 29,417 | 43,281 | +47 | 2,990 | 1,487 |
| TOTAL..... | MT | 178,060 | 203,154 | +14 | 1,133,230 | 1,261,480 | +11 | 79,219 | 47,328 |
| POULTRY PRODUCTS | | | | | | | | | |
| MEAT..... | MT | 113,966 | 129,523 | +14 | 132,554 | 138,092 | +4 | 15,520 | 16,493 |
| BROILER..... | MT | 9,245 | 8,619 | -7 | 13,228 | 11,314 | -14 | 929 | 992 |
| TURKEY..... | MT | 6,217 | 6,157 | -1 | 7,914 | 6,862 | -13 | 1,224 | 883 |
| OTHER POULTRY MEAT..... | DOZ | 15,318 | 18,916 | +23 | 23,698 | 25,849 | +9 | 3,094 | 2,913 |
| EGGS..... | MT | 5,465 | 6,707 | +23 | 8,413 | 11,894 | +41 | 1,004 | 996 |
| EGG PRODUCTS..... | XXX | | | | 85,059 | 70,236 | -17 | 10,306 | 8,068 |
| OTHER..... | XXX | | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL..... | XXX | | | | 270,866 | 264,247 | -2 | 32,076 | 30,345 |
| DAIRY PRODUCTS | | | | | | | | | |
| NON-FAT DRY MILK..... | MT | 172,901 | 182,000 | +5 | 114,389 | 114,190 | --- | 10,885 | 11,205 |
| CHEESE..... | MT | 13,456 | 8,506 | -37 | 25,603 | 17,123 | -33 | 3,974 | 1,694 |
| BUTTER..... | MT | 27,061 | 29,968 | +11 | 42,779 | 44,814 | +5 | 11,367 | 16,044 |
| OTHER..... | XXX | | | | 68,110 | 91,768 | +35 | 8,022 | 12,199 |
| TOTAL..... | XXX | | | | 250,881 | 267,895 | +7 | 34,248 | 41,142 |
| LIVESTOCK & PRODS. | | | | | | | | | |
| MEAT..... | MT | 265,479 | 254,495 | -4 | 586,518 | 943,952 | +39 | 71,166 | 68,136 |
| BEEF..... | MT | 71,535 | 74,379 | +4 | 294,775 | 324,299 | +10 | 36,434 | 40,540 |
| PORK..... | MT | 46,515 | 29,108 | -37 | 112,398 | 51,529 | -54 | 12,652 | 5,261 |
| VARIETY..... | MT | 147,429 | 151,008 | +2 | 179,345 | 183,468 | +2 | 22,080 | 22,335 |
| TALLOW..... | MT | 934,456 | 762,213 | -18 | 436,038 | 384,666 | -12 | 63,999 | 53,484 |
| LARD..... | MT | 20,760 | 31,096 | +50 | 13,686 | 20,779 | +52 | 1,732 | 1,820 |
| LIVE CATTLE..... | NO | 35,836 | 83,432 | +133 | 29,570 | 69,544 | +135 | 3,890 | 7,176 |
| CATTLE HIDES..... | XXX | | | | 676,337 | 688,262 | +2 | 100,121 | 75,849 |
| FURSKINS..... | NO | 13572,263 | 11952,937 | -12 | 181,723 | 188,545 | +4 | 18,856 | 14,851 |
| OTHER..... | XXX | | | | 412,210 | 354,953 | -14 | 49,570 | 31,801 |
| TOTAL..... | XXX | | | | 2,336,083 | 2,266,036 | -3 | 309,334 | 253,117 |

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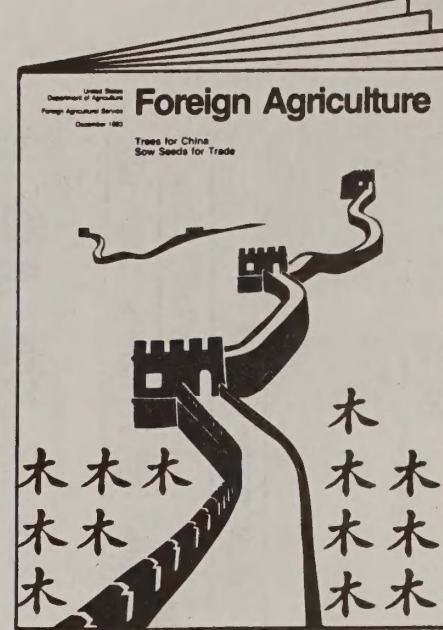
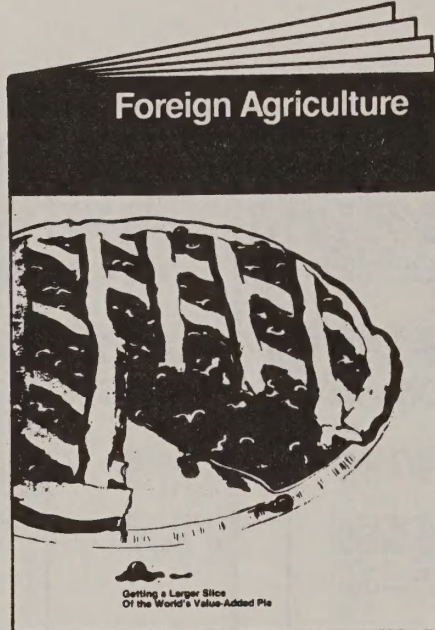
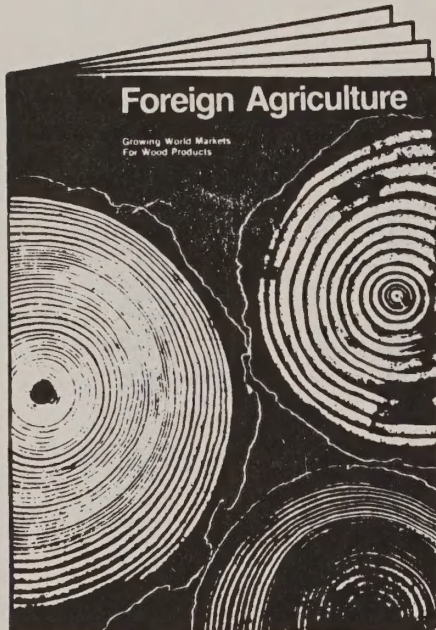
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| HORTICULTURAL PROD. | | | | | | | | | |
| TREE NUTS..... | MT : | 97,193 | 251,345 | +53 | +36 | 9,161 | 29,904 | +38 | +10 |
| FRUIT..... | MT : | 630,703 | 807,342 | -9 | -4 | 85,139 | 109,837 | +19 | -4 |
| FRESH, CITRUS..... | MT : | 322,489 | 291,643 | -14 | +4 | 37,041 | 48,556 | -48 | +16 |
| FRESH, NON-CITRUS..... | MT : | 48,930 | 213,064 | -14 | -11 | 5,087 | 24,639 | -23 | -41 |
| CANNED..... | MT : | 77,819 | 50,231 | -1 | -13 | 9,517 | 5,474 | -14 | -23 |
| DRIED..... | MT : | 97,301 | 108,499 | -17 | --- | 12,411 | 12,054 | -7 | -10 |
| JUICES..... | MT : | 504,983 | 143,905 | -16 | -8 | 86,123 | 19,114 | -37 | +2 |
| VEGETABLES, FRESH..... | MT : | 218,989 | 216,786 | -11 | -22 | 28,760 | 34,780 | -31 | -34 |
| VEC., PREP., PRES..... | MT : | | 200,933 | | -10 | | 25,889 | | -27 |
| OTHER..... | XXX: | | 281,874 | | --- | | 35,316 | | -1 |
| TOTAL..... | XXX: | | 1,758,280 | | -1 | | 235,725 | | -9 |
| SUGAR & TROP. PRODS. | | | | | | | | | |
| SUGAR & SWEETENERS..... | XXX: | 8,475 | 107,553 | -1 | -14 | 1,037 | 12,822 | -24 | -15 |
| COFFEE..... | MT : | | 66,158 | | -7 | | 8,009 | | -33 |
| FLAVORING SYRUPS..... | XXX: | | 155,981 | | -27 | | 14,546 | | +13 |
| OTHER..... | XXX: | | 234,451 | | +10 | | 24,840 | | +11 |
| TOTAL..... | XXX: | | 564,143 | | -7 | | 60,218 | | --- |
| GRAND TOTAL..... | XXX: | | 27,274,309 | | -13 | | 3194,063 | | -34 |

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